

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Annie Pol was born on February 8, 1908, to William and Gertrude Pol at Armour, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Annie moved with her family to Perkins County where they homesteaded, living in a one-room sod house with her four siblings, and where she recalls her favorite hobbies to be horseback riding and trapping muskrat; and,

Whereas, Annie married Arie Bobeldyke on March 4, 1929, and to that union two daughters were born: Norma and Doris, who additionally blessed their lives with grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Annie and Arie experienced the joys and hardships of a lifetime of farming, Annie continued to farm well beyond the age of 80, after Arie's death in 1960, and currently lives in her own home in Armour with her canine companion, Lassie; and,

Whereas, Annie will observe her 100th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her friends and relatives gather to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

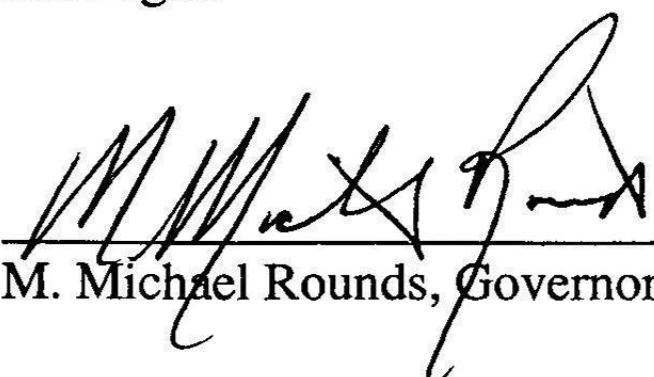
Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim February 8, 2006, as

ANNIE BOBELDYKE DAY


in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-second Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State